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COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT

TOPIC Military Information from Oranienburg

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. Between 4 and 8 October 1953, buildings No 6 through 9 and 11 of the Weisse Stadt settlement in Oranienburg were occupied to capacity. Tanks, 132-mm rocket launchers, BA-64 armored scout cars, 76-mm AT guns and armored half track trucks, including some carrying pontoons, were observed. Trucks

were seen entering and leaving the installation.⁴

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2. Between 6:30 a.m. and 6:40 a.m. on 8 October, 15 T-34 tanks, were loaded on 15 SSy-type flatcars and 100 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets and carrying baggage; and ammunition were loaded on an undetermined number of boxcars at the loading ramp in Oranienburg; the shipment left for an undetermined destination.²

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1. Comment. on 4 October, the Hq 25th Tank Div presumably had entered the Weisse Stadt, in addition to at least the 219th (?) AAA Regt, the 53d Mtrcl Bn, the 16th (?) Gds RL Bn, the 194th Engr Bn and the unidentified signal battalion of the division.

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2. Comment. A tank unit of the 25th Tank Div may have been entrained.

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